



1997 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 40

February 25, 1998 - Introduced by Senators MOEN, GEORGE, GROBSCHMIDT, WIRCH, BRESKE, DRZEWIECKI, RUDE, HUELSMAN and BURKE, cosponsored by Representatives TRAVIS, KRUG, GRONEMUS, RYBA, MURAT, PLOUFF, R. YOUNG, PORTER, TURNER, BALDWIN, WASSERMAN, NOTESTEIN, LORGE, WALKER, OTTE and HEBL. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming May 15, 16 and 17, 1998, Syttende Mai Weekend.

2 Whereas, Norway, which means “Northern Way”, is the 5th largest country in
3 Europe, covering 125,052 square miles, and has a population of approximately
4 4,000,000; and

5 Whereas, Norwegian immigrants have made countless contributions to the
6 cultures of Wisconsin and other regions of the United States; and

7 Whereas, the Norwegian Constitution is the 3rd oldest in the world, being
8 predated only by the constitutions of the United States and France; and

9 Whereas, “Syttende Mai”, which is Norwegian for “May 17”, celebrates the
10 anniversary of the 1814 signing of the Norwegian Constitution that declared
11 Norway’s independence; and

12 Whereas, Norwegian culture can be found throughout Wisconsin in little shops,
13 cafes and restaurants, such as the Norske Nook in Osseo, and is celebrated by a
14 number of communities’ Norwegian Days; and

